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Attorney Docket No. ANGL-06602

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Toranto *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/976,872  
Filed: 10/12/2001  
Entitled: **ANALYTE DETECTION**

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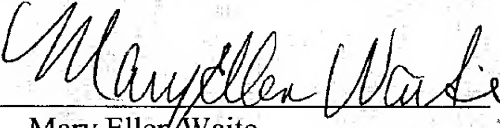
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Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2002. Applicants hereby include a one month extension of time from March 4, 2003 to April 4, 2003. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.